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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief, COMMO.

SUBJECT: Estimate of Operations Requirements for Communications.

1. The attached represents a fair estimate of present and projected Operations commitments and the COMMO requirements that they entail.

2. Operational programs are grouped in order of relative priority under three classes of urgency: Immediate, Pending, and Future Projects. All programs listed have been discussed in detail with COMMO officers either directly or in the course of a series of meetings held recently with the various Foreign Branches.

3. Other Operations requirements relevant to COMMO, such as electrical surveillance, equipment for support stations, and research and development, are not included in this paper. They will be covered in subsequent studies.

Attachment

Estimate of Oper.  
Reqmts. for Commu-  
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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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ATTACHMENT B  
PRACTICAL CALENDAR

<u>BEGINNING DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COMPLETION DATE</u>
December, 1948	Set up recruiting principles, procedures, and machinery, and remove processing bottlenecks. Required in COMMO - 3 slots.	December, 1948
January, 1949	Recruiting for IMMEDIATE only, for both Overseas and Washington support, and establishment of slots (to insure flexibility for both IMMEDIATE and PENDING.)	June, 1949
25X1 25X1 January, 1949	Survey [ ] base sites. If further favorable answers are received from [ ] with reference to [ ] it will also be necessary to survey this site.	January, 1949
January, 1949	Stockpiling of materiel for IMMEDIATE, PENDING, and FUTURE, which can be both more efficient and more economical if authorized en masse on a basis of three years' needs, or to an extent sufficient to provide skeleton materiel for the first six months of hostilities. Under FUTURE, however, no materiel should be stockpiled which is likely to become obsolete within ten years.	January, 1952
25X1 February, 1949	[ ]	February, 1949
June, 1949	Train base station operators. Construct one or more flying bases. Construct one [ ] base.	December, 1949
25X1 25X1	[ ]	December, 1949

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<u>BEGINNING DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COMPLETION DATE</u>
June, 1949	Packaging stockpiled equipment for small stations, etc.	December, 1949
	First significant acceleration of training, briefing, and coordinating activities overseas.	December, 1949
January, 1950	Dispatch of personnel according to priorities as they then appear.	June, 1950

CONCLUSION: According to this program, most IMMEDIATE demands can be reasonably well met by June, 1950. The most significant date is, however, June 1949, when on the basis of personnel on hand for training, commitments could begin.

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